Attv. Dkt. No 355491-1250

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Christopher D. ROBERTS et al. Applicant:

Title:

NUCLEOSIDE DERIVATIVES FOR TREATING HEPATITIS C

VIRUS INFECTION

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a threemonth extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

The extension fee for response within the third month is \$1,050.00. The fee associated with a three-month extension of time in the amount of \$1,050.00 (in accordance with 37 C.F.R. \$1.17(a)(3)) is paid herewith by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit

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card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 11 October 2007 By ______

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